

## PROCLAMATION YOUTH TEMPERANCE EDUCATION WEEK April 18-24, 2004

WHEREAS, the widespread abuse of alcohol and drugs has created economic and social problems resulting in the destruction of family relationships and costs to the public; and

**WHEREAS**, the North Dakota Woman's Christian Temperance Union is committed to keeping our youth drug and alcohol free through education programs and information campaigns designed to promote abstinence; and

**WHEREAS**, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union is partnering with schools, churches and libraries in the state to provide materials and activities to educate our youth on the benefits of a drug- and alcohol-free lifestyle; and

WHEREAS, our youth are our greatest resource, and by keeping them drug and alcohol free, we are securing their futures as well as North Dakota's; and

**NOW, THEREFORE,** as the Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim April 18-24, **YOUTH TEMPERANCE EDUCATION WEEK** in the State of North Dakota.

/s/ John Hoeven Governor

Attest:

/s/ Alvin A. Jaeger Secretary of State